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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 102

BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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1	AN ACT
2	RELATING TO INSURANCE; AMENDING TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF
3	A NEW CHAPTER 64, TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE PURPOSE AND SCOPE,
4	TO DEFINE TERMS, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN DISCLOSURE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE
5	CONTENTS OF A DISCLOSURE REPORT, TO PROVIDE FOR CONFIDENTIALITY AND TO
6	ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE
7	COMMISSIONERS AND THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANTS; AMENDING SECTION 41-3434,
8	IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE CODE REFERENCES AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORREC-
9	TION; AMENDING SECTION 74-107, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION, TO
10	MAKE CODIFIER'S CORRECTIONS AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AND
11	PROVIDING SEVERABILITY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Title 41, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW CHAPTER, to be known and designated as Chapter 64, Title 41, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

CHAPTER 64 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ANNUAL DISCLOSURE

41-6401. PURPOSE AND SCOPE. (1) The purpose and scope of this chapter are to:

- (a) Provide the insurance director a summary of an insurer or insurance group's corporate governance structure, policies and practices to permit the director to gain and maintain an understanding of the insurer's corporate governance framework;
- (b) Outline the requirements for completing a corporate governance annual disclosure with the insurance director; and
- (c) Provide for the confidential treatment of the corporate governance annual disclosure and related information that will contain confidential and sensitive information related to an insurer or insurance group's internal operations and proprietary and trade secret information that, if made public, could potentially cause the insurer or insurance group competitive harm or disadvantage.
- (2) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prescribe or impose corporate governance standards and internal procedures beyond that which is required under applicable state corporate law. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit the director's authority, or the rights or obligations of third parties, under applicable examination authority including, but not limited to, sections 41-219 and 41-3814, Idaho Code.
- (3) The requirements of this chapter shall apply to all insurers domiciled in this state.
 - 41-6402. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

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(1) "Corporate governance annual disclosure" or "CGAD" means a confidential report filed by the insurer or insurance group made in accordance with the requirements of this chapter.

- (2) "Insurance group" means those insurers and affiliates included within an insurance holding company system as that term is defined in chapter 38, title 41, Idaho Code.
- (3) "Insurer" has the same meaning as set forth in section 41-103, Idaho Code, and it shall not include agencies, authorities or instrumentalities of the United States, its possessions and territories, the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, or a state or political subdivision of a state. For purposes of this chapter, the term "insurer" includes, but is not limited to:
 - (a) An entity holding a certificate of authority under chapter 3, title 41, Idaho Code;
 - (b) A service corporation holding a certificate of authority under chapter 34, title 41, Idaho Code;
 - (c) A managed care organization holding a certificate of authority under chapter 39, title 41, Idaho Code; and
 - (d) The state insurance fund, created under chapter 9, title 72, Idaho Code.
- 41-6403. DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENT. (1) A domestic insurer, or the insurance group of which the domestic insurer is a member, shall, no later than June 1 of each calendar year, submit to the director a corporate governance annual disclosure (CGAD) that contains the information described in section 41-6404, Idaho Code. Absent a request from the director pursuant to subsection (3) of this section, an insurance group is not required to submit the CGAD if Idaho is not the lead state for the insurance group, as determined by the procedures outlined in the most recent national association of insurance commissioners' (NAIC) financial analysis handbook adopted by the director by rule, administrative order or bulletin.
- (2) The CGAD must include a signature of the insurer or insurance group's chief executive officer or corporate secretary, attorney in fact, executive administrator, or other officer having responsibility for the insurer's or insurance group's compliance with governance structure, practices and policies attesting to the best of that individual's belief and knowledge that the insurer has implemented the corporate governance practices and that a copy of the disclosure has been provided to the insurer's board of directors or the appropriate committee thereof.
- (3) An insurer or insurance group not required to submit a CGAD under subsection (1) of this section shall do so upon the director's request.
- (4) For purposes of completing the CGAD, the insurer or insurance group may provide information regarding corporate governance at the ultimate controlling parent level, an intermediate holding company level and/or the individual legal entity level, depending upon how the insurer or insurance group has structured its system of corporate governance. The insurer or insurance group is encouraged to make the CGAD disclosures at the level at which the insurer's or insurance group's risk appetite is determined, or at which the earnings, capital, liquidity, operations and reputation of the insurer are overseen collectively and at which the supervision of those

factors are coordinated and exercised, or the level at which legal liability for failure of general corporate governance duties would be placed. If the insurer or insurance group determines the level of reporting based on these criteria, it shall indicate which of the three (3) criteria was used to determine the level of reporting and explain any subsequent changes in the level of reporting.

- (5) The review of the CGAD and any additional requests for information shall be made through the lead state as determined by the procedures within the most recent financial analysis handbook referenced in subsection (1) of this section.
- (6) Insurers providing information substantially similar to the information required by this chapter in other documents provided to the director, including proxy statements filed in conjunction with form B requirements or other state or federal filings provided to the department, shall not be required to duplicate that information in the CGAD but shall only be required to cross-reference the document in which the information is included.
- 41-6404. CONTENTS OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE ANNUAL DISCLOSURE. (1) The insurer or insurance group shall have discretion over the responses to the CGAD inquiries, provided the CGAD shall contain the material information necessary to permit the director to gain an understanding of the insurer's or group's corporate governance structure, policies and practices including, without limitation, information concerning policies and practices of the board of directors, the senior governing entity and significant committees thereof, the policies and practices for directing senior management, and the processes by which the board of directors, the senior governing entity, its committees and senior management ensure an appropriate amount of oversight to the critical risk areas impacting the insurer's business activities. The director may request additional information that the director deems material and necessary to provide the director with a clear understanding of the corporate governance policies, the reporting or information system, or the controls implementing those policies.
- (2) The CGAD shall be prepared consistent with any rules promulgated by the director. Documentation and supporting information shall be maintained and made available upon examination or upon request of the director.
- (3) Each year following the initial filing of the CGAD, the insurer or insurance group shall file an amended version of the previously filed CGAD indicating where changes have been made. If no changes were made in the information or activities reported by the insurer or insurance group, the filing should so state.
- 41-6405. CONFIDENTIALITY. (1) Documents, materials or other information, including the CGAD, in the possession or control of the department of insurance that are obtained by, created by or disclosed to the director or any other person under this chapter are recognized by this state as being proprietary and to contain trade secrets. All such documents, materials or other information shall be confidential by law and privileged, shall not be subject to disclosure pursuant to the provisions of chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code, shall not be subject to subpoena and shall not be subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in any private civil action. However, the

director is authorized to use the documents, materials or other information in the furtherance of any regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the director's official duties. The director shall not otherwise make the documents, materials or other information public without the prior written consent of the insurer. Nothing in this section shall be construed to require written consent of the insurer before the director may share or receive confidential documents, materials or other CGAD-related information pursuant to subsection (3) of this section to assist in the performance of the director's duties.

- (2) Neither the director nor any person who received documents, materials or other CGAD-related information, through examination or otherwise, while acting under the authority of the director, or with whom such documents, materials or other information are shared pursuant to this chapter, shall be permitted or required to testify in any private civil action concerning any confidential documents, materials or information subject to subsection (1) of this section.
- (3) In order to assist in the performance of the director's regulatory duties, the director may:
 - (a) Upon request, share documents, materials, or other CGAD-related information including the confidential and privileged documents, materials, or information subject to subsection (1) of this section, including proprietary and trade secret documents and materials with other state, federal, and international financial regulatory agencies, including members of any supervisory college as discussed in section 41-3815, Idaho Code, with the NAIC, and with third-party consultants pursuant to section 41-6406, Idaho Code, provided that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the CGAD-related documents, materials, or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality.
 - (b) Receive documents, materials, or other CGAD-related information, including otherwise confidential and privileged documents, materials or information, including proprietary and trade secret information or documents, from regulatory officials of other state, federal, and international financial regulatory agencies, including members of any supervisory college as discussed in section 41-3815, Idaho Code, and from the NAIC, and shall maintain as confidential or privileged any documents, materials, or information received with notice or the understanding that it is confidential or privileged under the laws of the jurisdiction that is the source of the document, material, or information.
- (4) The sharing of information and documents by the director pursuant to this chapter shall not constitute a delegation of regulatory authority or rulemaking, and the director is solely responsible for the administration, execution and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter.
- (5) No waiver of any applicable privilege or claim of confidentiality in the documents, proprietary and trade secret materials or other CGAD-related information shall occur as a result of disclosure of such CGAD-related information or documents to the director under this section or as a result of sharing as authorized in this chapter.

41-6406. NAIC AND THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANTS. (1) The director may retain third-party consultants not otherwise part of the director's staff as may be reasonably necessary to assist the director in reviewing the CGAD and related information or the insurer's compliance with this chapter.

- (2) Any persons retained under subsection (1) of this section shall be under the direction and control of the director and shall act in a purely advisory capacity.
- (3) The NAIC and third-party consultants shall be subject to the same confidentiality standards and requirements as the director.
- (4) As part of the retention process, a third-party consultant shall verify to the director, with notice to the insurer, that it is free of a conflict of interest and that it has internal procedures in place to monitor compliance with a conflict and to comply with the confidentiality standards and requirements of this chapter.
- (5) A written agreement with the NAIC and/or a third-party consultant governing sharing and use of information provided pursuant to this chapter shall contain the following provisions and expressly require the written consent of the insurer prior to making public information provided under this chapter:
 - (a) Specific procedures and protocols for maintaining the confidentiality and security of CGAD-related information shared with the NAIC or a third-party consultant pursuant to this chapter;
 - (b) Procedures and protocols for sharing by the NAIC only with other state regulators from states in which the insurance group has domiciled insurers. The agreement shall provide that the recipient agrees in writing to maintain the confidentiality and privileged status of the CGAD-related documents, materials or other information and has verified in writing the legal authority to maintain confidentiality;
 - (c) A provision specifying that ownership of the CGAD-related information shared with the NAIC or a third-party consultant remains with the department of insurance and the NAIC's or third-party consultant's use of the information is subject to the direction of the director;
 - (d) A provision that prohibits the NAIC or a third-party consultant from storing the information shared pursuant to this chapter in a permanent database after the underlying analysis is completed;
 - (e) A provision requiring the NAIC or third-party consultant to provide prompt notice to the director and to the insurer or insurance group regarding any subpoena, request for disclosure or request for production of the insurer's CGAD-related information; and
 - (f) A requirement that the NAIC or a third-party consultant consent to intervention by an insurer in any judicial or administrative action in which the NAIC or a third-party consultant may be required to disclose confidential information about the insurer shared with the NAIC or a third-party consultant pursuant to this chapter.
- SECTION 2. That Section 41-3434, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 41-3434. OTHER PROVISIONS APPLICABLE. In addition to those contained or referred to heretofore in this chapter, the following chapters and provisions of this title 41, Idaho Ceode, shall also apply with respect to service

corporations to the extent applicable and not in conflict with the express provisions of this chapter and the reasonable implications of such express provisions, and for the purposes of such application such corporations shall be deemed to be mutual "insurers":

(1) Chapter 1 (scope of code);

- (2) Chapter 2 (the director of insurance);
- (3) Section 41-308(2) (general eligibility for certificate of authority -- competence, affiliations of management);
- (4) Sections 41-345 through 41-347 (disclosure of material transactions);
 - (5) Section 41-601 ("assets" defined);
 - (6) Section 41-603 (assets not allowed);
 - (7) Section 41-604 (disallowance of "wash" transactions);
 - (8) Section 41-613 (valuation of bonds);
- (9) Section 41-731 (prohibited investments and investment underwriting);
 - (10) Chapter 13 (trade practices and frauds);
 - (11) Section 41-2840 (vouchers for expenditures);
 - (12) Section 41-2841 (borrowed surplus);
- (13) Sections 41-2857 (mergers and consolidations, mutual insurers), 41-2858 (bulk reinsurance, mutual insurers), and 41-2859 (mutual member's share of assets on liquidation);
 - (14) Chapter 33 (supervision, rehabilitation and liquidation);
- (15) Sections 799 to 809 of chapter 330 of Session Laws of 1961 (transitory provisions);
- (16) Section 41-2106(3) (health history application for disability insurance);
- (17) Section 41-2141 (coordination of benefits -- coordination with social security benefits);
 - (18) Section 41-1839 (attorney's fees);
 - (19) Chapter 46 (long-term care insurance);
- (20) Section 41-1844 (prescription drug benefit restrictions prohibited);
- (21) Section 41-2216 (coordination of benefits -- coordination with social security benefits); and
 - (22) Chapter 54 (risk-based capital); and
 - (23) Chapter 64 (corporate governance).

SECTION 3. That Section 74-107, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 74-107. RECORDS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE -- TRADE SECRETS, PRODUCTION RECORDS, APPRAISALS, BIDS, PROPRIETARY INFORMATION. The following records are exempt from disclosure:
- (1) Trade secrets including those contained in response to public agency or independent public body corporate and politic requests for proposal, requests for clarification, requests for information and similar requests. "Trade secrets" as used in this section means information, including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, computer program, device, method, technique, process, or unpublished or in-progress research that:

- (a) Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and
- (b) Is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.
- (2) Production records, housing production, rental and financing records, sale or purchase records, catch records, mortgage portfolio loan documents, or similar business records of a private concern or enterprise required by law to be submitted to or inspected by a public agency or submitted to or otherwise obtained by an independent public body corporate and politic. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the use which can be made of such information for regulatory purposes or its admissibility in any enforcement proceeding.
- (3) Records relating to the appraisal of real property, timber or mineral rights prior to its acquisition, sale or lease by a public agency or independent public body corporate and politic.
- (4) Any estimate prepared by a public agency or independent public body corporate and politic that details the cost of a public project until such time as disclosed or bids are opened, or upon award of the contract for construction of the public project.
- (5) Examination, operating or condition reports and all documents relating thereto, prepared by or supplied to any public agency or independent public body corporate and politic responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions including, but not limited to, banks, savings and loan associations, regulated lenders, business and industrial development corporations, credit unions, and insurance companies, or for the regulation or supervision of the issuance of securities.
- (6) Records gathered by a local agency or the Idaho department of commerce, as described in chapter 47, title 67, Idaho Code, for the specific purpose of assisting a person to locate, maintain, invest in, or expand business operations in the state of Idaho.
- (7) Shipping and marketing records of commodity commissions used to evaluate marketing and advertising strategies and the names and addresses of growers and shippers maintained by commodity commissions.
- (8) Financial statements and business information and reports submitted by a legal entity to a port district organized under title 70, Idaho Code, in connection with a business agreement, or with a development proposal or with a financing application for any industrial, manufacturing, or other business activity within a port district.
- (9) Names and addresses of seed companies, seed crop growers, seed crop consignees, locations of seed crop fields, variety name and acreage by variety. Upon the request of the owner of the proprietary variety, this information shall be released to the owner. Provided however, that if a seed crop has been identified as diseased or has been otherwise identified by the Idaho department of agriculture, other state departments of agriculture, or the United States department of agriculture to represent a threat to that particular seed or commercial crop industry or to individual growers, information as to test results, location, acreage involved and disease symptoms of that particular seed crop, for that growing season, shall be available

for public inspection and copying. This exemption shall not supersede the provisions of section 22-436, Idaho Code, nor shall this exemption apply to information regarding specific property locations subject to an open burning of crop residue pursuant to section 39-114, Idaho Code, names of persons responsible for the open burn, acreage and crop type to be burned, and time frames for burning.

- (10) Information obtained from books, records and accounts required in chapter 47, title 22, Idaho Code, to be maintained by the Idaho oilseed commission and pertaining to the individual production records of oilseed growers.
- (11) Records of any risk retention or self-insurance program prepared in anticipation of litigation or for analysis of or settlement of potential or actual money damage claims against a public entity and its employees or against the industrial special indemnity fund except as otherwise discoverable under the Idaho or federal rules of civil procedure. These records shall include, but are not limited to, claims evaluations, investigatory records, computerized reports of losses, case reserves, internal documents and correspondence relating thereto. At the time any claim is concluded, only statistical data and actual amounts paid in settlement shall be deemed a public record unless otherwise ordered to be sealed by a court of competent jurisdiction. Provided however, nothing in this subsection is intended to limit the attorney-client privilege or attorney work product privilege otherwise available to any public agency or independent public body corporate and politic.
- (12) Records of laboratory test results provided by or retained by the Idaho food quality assurance laboratory. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the use which can be made, or availability of such information if used, for regulatory purposes or its admissibility in any enforcement proceeding.
- (13) Reports required to be filed under chapter 13, title 62, Idaho Code, identifying electrical or natural or manufactured gas consumption data for an individual customer or account.
- (14) Voluntarily prepared environmental audits, and voluntary disclosures of information submitted on or before December 31, 1997, to an environmental agency, which are claimed to be confidential business information.
- (15) Computer programs developed or purchased by or for any public agency or independent public body corporate and politic for its own use. As used in this subsection, "computer program" means a series of instructions or statements which permit the functioning of a computer system in a manner designed to provide storage, retrieval and manipulation of data from the computer system, and any associated documentation and source material that explain how to operate the computer program. Computer program does not include:
 - (a) The original data including, but not limited to, numbers, text, voice, graphics and images;
 - (b) Analysis, compilation and other manipulated forms of the original data produced by use of the program; or
 - (c) The mathematical or statistical formulas that would be used if the manipulated forms of the original data were to be produced manually.
- (16) Active investigative records and trademark usage audits of the Idaho potato commission specifically relating to the enforcement of chapter

12, title 22, Idaho Code, until the commencement of formal proceedings as provided by rules of the commission; purchase and sales information submitted to the Idaho potato commission during a trademark usage audit, and investigation or enforcement proceedings. Inactive investigatory records shall be disclosed unless the disclosure would violate the standards set forth in subsection (1) (a) through (f) of section 74-124, Idaho Code. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the use which can be made, or availability of such information if used, for regulatory purposes or its admissibility in any enforcement proceeding.

- (17) All records copied or obtained by the director of the department of agriculture or his designee as a result of an inspection pursuant to section 25-3806, Idaho Code, except:
 - (a) Records otherwise deemed to be public records not exempt from disclosure pursuant to this chapter; and
 - (b) Inspection reports, determinations of compliance or noncompliance and all other records created by the director or his designee pursuant to section 25-3806, Idaho Code.
- (18) All data and information collected by the division of animal industries or the state brand board pursuant to the provisions of section 25-207B, Idaho Code, or rules promulgated thereunder.
- (19) Records disclosed to a county official by the state tax commission pursuant to subsection (4)(c) of section 63-3029B, Idaho Code.
- (20) Records, data, information and materials collected, developed, generated, ascertained or discovered during the course of academic research at public institutions of higher education if the disclosure of such could reasonably affect the conduct or outcome of the research, or the ability of the public institution of higher education to patent or copyright the research or protect intellectual property.
- (21) Records, data, information and materials collected or utilized during the course of academic research at public institutions of higher education provided by any person or entity other than the public institution of higher education or a public agency.
- (22) The exemptions from disclosure provided in subsections (20) and (21) of this section shall apply only until the academic research is publicly released, copyrighted or patented, or until the academic research is completed or terminated. At such time, the records, data, information, and materials shall be subject to public disclosure unless: (a) another exemption in this chapter applies; (b) such information was provided to the institution subject to a written agreement of confidentiality; or (c) public disclosure would pose a danger to persons or property.
- (23) The exemptions from disclosure provided in subsections (20) and (21) of this section do not include basic information about a particular research project that is otherwise subject to public disclosure, such as the nature of the academic research, the name of the researcher, and the amount and source of the funding provided for the project.
- (24) Records of a county assessor, the state tax commission, a county board of equalization or the state board of tax appeals containing the following information: (i) lists of personal property required to be filed pursuant to section 63-302, Idaho Code, and operating statements required to be filed pursuant to section 63-404, Idaho Code, and (ii) confidential com-

mercial or financial information including trade secrets. Except with respect to lists of personal property required to be filed pursuant to section 63-302, Idaho Code, and the operator statements required to be filed pursuant to section 63-404, Idaho Code, it shall be the responsibility of the taxpayer to give notice of its claim to exemption by stamping or marking each page or the first page of each portion of documents so claimed. No records that are exempt pursuant to this subsection shall be disclosed without the consent of the taxpayer except as follows:

- (a) To any officer, employee or authorized representative of the state or the United States, under a continuing claim of confidentiality, as necessary to carry out the provisions of state or federal law or when relevant to any proceeding thereunder.
- (b) In the publication of statistics or reports as long as the statistics or reports do not reasonably lead to the identification of the specific taxpayer or information submitted by taxpayers exempt pursuant to this subsection.
- (c) To the board of tax appeals or the district court as evidence or otherwise in connection with an appeal of the taxpayer's property tax assessment, but only if the board or the court, as applicable, has entered a protective order specifying that the taxpayer information may not be disclosed by any person conducting or participating in the action or proceeding, except as authorized by the board or the court in accordance with applicable law.
- (d) Nothing in this subsection shall prevent disclosure of the following information:
 - (i) Name and mailing address of the property owner;
 - (ii) A parcel number;

- (iii) A legal description of real property;
- (iv) The square footage and acreage of real property;
- (v) The assessed value of taxable property;
- (vi) The tax district and the tax rate; and
- (vii) The total property tax assessed.
- (25) Results of laboratory tests which have no known adverse impacts to human health conducted by the Idaho state department of agriculture animal health laboratory, related to diagnosis of animal diseases of individual animals or herds, on samples submitted by veterinarians or animal owners unless:
 - (a) The laboratory test results indicate the presence of a state or federally reportable or regulated disease in animals;
 - (b) The release of the test results is required by state or federal law; or
 - (c) The test result is identified as representing a threat to animal or human health or to the livestock industry by the Idaho state department of agriculture or the United States department of agriculture. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the use which can be made, or availability of such information if used, for regulatory purposes or its admissibility in any enforcement proceeding, or the duty of any person to report contagious or infectious diseases as required by state or federal law.

(26) Results of laboratory tests conducted by the Idaho state department of agriculture seed laboratory on samples submitted by seed producers or seed companies. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the use which can be made, or availability of such information pursuant to the provisions of subsections (9) and (10) of section 22-418, Idaho Code.

- (27) For policies that are owned by private persons, and not by a public agency of the state of Idaho, records of policies, endorsements, affidavits and any records that discuss policies, endorsements and affidavits that may be required to be filed with or by a surplus line association pursuant to chapter 12, title 41, Idaho Code.
- (28) Individual financial statements of a postsecondary educational institution or a proprietary school submitted to the state board of education, its director or a representative thereof, for the purpose of registering the postsecondary educational institution or proprietary school pursuant to section 33-2402 or 33-2403, Idaho Code, or provided pursuant to an administrative rule of the board adopted pursuant to such sections.
- (29) Information submitted to by insurance companies pursuant to section $42\underline{1}$ -612(17), Idaho Code.
- (30) Documents, materials or other information submitted to the director of the department of insurance as provided in chapter 64, title 41, Idaho Code.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable and if any provision of this act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is declared invalid for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this act.